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HEALTH COMMITTEE.

YEAR 1950

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Sanitary Inspector. - A. Crowther.

Gentlemen,

I have the honour to submit for your consideration the Annual Report on the health of Trawden for the year 1950.

This year the Infantile Mortality Rate was nil. When small numbers are under review, a truer picture is obtained by taking the average over ten years.

There was a considerable drop in the number of infectious fevers. In fact, there were seventeen less than in 1949.

The number of pail closets and waste water closets is steadily falling, but it is only a trickle. It is time that the trickle became a stream, or better still, a river.

Also, there are still a number of sub-standard houses without through ventilation, proper food stores and the amenities which should be avilable to us all. These houses have the standard of about 1910.

I am grateful to the Committee and staff for the help given during the year.

I have the honour to be,

Gentlemen,

Your obedient Servant,

R. E. ROBINSON.

GENERAL.

The number of cases of infectious diseases notified during the year is Fifteen, Seventeen less than for 1949, viz:-

4 Case/s of Scarlet Fever. 6 Case/s of Measles.
4 " " Whooping Cough. 1 " " Erysipelas.

This year the Birth-rate stands at 15·7 compared with 11·5 last year, which is an increase of 4·2 per 1,000 of the estimated population.

The Death-rate this year is 13·4* compared with 22·5 last year, which is a decrease of 9·1 per 1,000 of the estimated population.

* 1950 adjusted death-rate (comparability factor, 0·89) = 11·9 per 1,000.

STASTICS AND SOCIAL CONDITIONS OF THE AREA.

Area (in acres)	6,815.
Population - Census 1931...	2,572.
" - Estimated 1950	2,160.
Number of inhabited houses - Census 1931	807.
" " " " 1950 (according to Rate Book).	815.
Rateable Value.	£9,781.
Sum represented by a Penny Rate..	£38.

CAUSES OF DEATH, 1950, (Registrar General's Official Returns).

All Causes - Males 11. Females 18.

Cause of Death.	Males.	Females.
Tuberculosis (respiratory)	1	-
Other malignant & lymphatic.neoplasms.	1	-
Diabetes.	-	1
Vascular lésions of nervous system.	1	5
Other Heart Diseases.	2	4
Coronary Disease Angina.	-	3
Other disease of Circ. System.	-	1
Bronchitis.	1	1
Other Resp. Diseases.	1	-
Nephritis & Nephrosis.	1	1
Other defined & ill-defined diseases.	2	2
Suicide.	1	-
	11	18

		M.	F.
Deaths of Infants under 1 year... ...	Total.	-	-
	Legitimate.	-	-
	Illegitimate.	-	-
Live Births....	Total.	16	18
	Legitimate.	15	18
	Illegitimate.	1	-
Still Births...	Total.	1	-
	Legitimate.	1	-
	Illegitimate.	-	-

Infantile Mortality Rate - NIL.

GENERAL PROVISION OF HEALTH SERVICES FOR THE AREA.

LOCAL HOSPITALS.

Name.	Situation.	Purpose and No. of Beds.
The Hartley Hospital.	Keighley Road, Colne.	General. Adults. 34. Children. 10.
Marsden Road Infec. Disease Hospital.	Marsden Road. Burnley.	Infectious Diseases.
Burnley General Hospital.	Casterton Avenue, Burnley.	General.
Christiana Hartley, Maternity Home.	Barrowford Road, Colne.	Maternity Home. 14,Beds. 2, Isolation.

General Medical and Surgical.	The Hartley Hospital, Colne., Facilities are available for operative surgery, Special department for X-Ray work. Out-patients department for Ophthalmic Cases. Out-patients department for ear nose and throat cases. Number of beds, male 12, female 16, children 8, babies cots 1, private wards 4, isolation 2. Municipal Hospital, Burnley. Manchester Royal Infirmary.
Children...	.Hartley Hospital. General Hospital, Burnley.
Maternity..	.Christiana Hartley Maternity Home,14 beds, 2 isolation, and out-patient Ante-Natal Clinic. Bank Hall Maternity Hospital,Burnley.
Venereal Diseases	.Burnley Clinic. Victoria Hospital, Burnley.
Tuberculosis	.The Regional Hospital Board. Sanatoria and Hospitals.
Mental	.The Regional Hospital Board.
Mentally Deficient	.The Regional Hospital Board.
Orthopaedic	.Birmingham Regional Hospital Board. Hospital at Biddulph. via Ancoats Hospital, Manchester.

HOSPITALS. (continued).

Ear, Nose and Throat... ...	...The Hartley Hospital, Colne.
Puerperal Pyrexia	...Marsden Road Infectious Disease Hospital, Burnley.
Ophthalmia Neonatorum.. ...	...Burnley General Hospital. Manchester Eye Hospital.

The Hospital Services for Trawden are administered by the Burnley & District Hospital Management Committee under the Manchester Regional Hospital Board.

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AMBULANCE FACILITIES.

Provided for all purposes by the Lancashire County Council centred and operated from the Headquarters of Health Division No.6, Oakleigh, Reedley, Nr. Burnley.

CLINICS AND TREATMENT CENTRES.

MATERNITY AND CHILD WELFARE - A Clinic staffed by the Lancashire C. C. is held in Trawden Ambulance Hall, fortnightly, on Tuesday from 2-4 p.m. No other Clinics are held in Trawden, but residents may attend the following, under arrangements made by the County Authorities and the Burnley & District Hospital Management Committee.

TUBERCULOSIS - Reedyford Hospital, Nelson.

ORTHOPAEDIC - At Carr Road, Nelson.

VENEREAL DISEASES - Victoria Hospital, Burnley.

Mr. A. Callam, F. R. C. S. of Burnley, was the consultant (until retirement), appointed by the Regional Hospital Board for the Puerperal Pyrexia Regulations. Mr. Graham has been appointed since.

LEGISLATION IN FORCE. - The Public Health Act, 1936.

STAFF OF THE DEPARTMENT. - Consists of a Medical Officer of Health and a Sanitary Inspector. The latter is also your Surveyor and Water Manager. etc.

PROFESSIONAL NURSING. - Under the Lancashire C. C. scheme, three Midwives serve in the District.

THE SUPPLY OF FOOD AND MILK for expectant and nursing Mothers and Milk for Infants is arranged by the County Authorities.

Home Nursing Service and Home Help Service have been undertaken by the Lancashire County Council.

SANITARY CIRCUMSTANCES IN THE AREA.

WATER SUPPLY. - The Water is obtained from springs and a boring in Boulsworth Hill, and is conveyed by pipe direct to the houses. It is of constant supply and the water is of excellent quality - 712 houses and 97 other premises being supplied.

POLLUTION OF RIVERS AND STREAMS. - These powers are under the Joint Board for the District.

TREATMENT OF SEWAGE. - All sewage treated at the works of the Colne Corporation.

CLOSET ACCOMMODATION AT THE END OF 1950.

Privy middens:- No. of middens.	- NIL.
No. of closets attached to these middens.	- NIL.
No. of pail closets.	- 184.
No. of dry ashpits.	- 2.
No. of movable ashbins.	- 680.
No. of houses on water carriage system.	- 527.
No. of fresh water closets.	- 497.
No. of waste water closets.	- 201.

CONVERSIONS.

		1950.	1945.	1946.	1947.	1948.	1949.
No. of Privy closets	To fresh W.C.s.	Nil.	Nil.	Nil.	Nil.	Nil.	Nil.
	To waste W.C.s.	Nil.	Nil.	Nil.	Nil.	Nil.	Nil.
	To pails etc.	Nil.	Nil.	Nil.	Nil.	Nil.	1.
No. of Pail closets.	To fresh W.C.s.	12.	Nil.	3.	Nil.	12.	21.
	To waste W.C.s.	Nil.	Nil.	Nil.	Nil.	Nil.	Nil.
No. of waste W.C.s. to Fresh W.C.s.		4.	3.	Nil.	Nil.	1	3.
No. of houses at which movable ashbins have been substituted for fixed receptacles.		11.	8.	7.	7.	9.	141.

SCAVENGERING.- Night-soil is removed by Contract and deposited into the Council's Sewer.
House Refuse is removed by the Council's Motor Waggon and deposited in a disused quarry.

SANITARY INSPECTION DURING 1950.

Number of premises visited...	76
Number of defects or nuisance discovered.	53
Number abated by informal notice...	17
Number of notices served ... ...Informal.	9
Statutory.	Nil.

No.legal proceedings were necessary.
No action was taken with regard to smoke abatement.
Eradication of Bed bugs: There were no infested premises.
There were no offensive trades in the District.
There were no common lodging-houses, houses-let-in lodgings, tents, vans or sheds, canal boats or underground sleeping rooms.

WORKSHOPS and Workplaces were found to be in a very satisfactory. condition.

The children are educated and cared for at the Council School under ideal conditions. The sanitary condition and water supply of the school are good. The medical inspection of the children is undertaken by the County Authorities.

HOUSING.

Number of houses erected during the year:-

a. Total including numbers given separately under b. ...NIL.
(1) By the Local Authority. ... ...NIL.
(2) By other Local Authorities... ... ...NIL.
(3) By other bodies and persons.. ... ...NIL.

b. With State assistance under the Housing Acts:-
(1) By the Local Authority. ... ...NIL.
(2) By other bodies or persons... ... ...NIL.

Inspection of Dwellinghouses during the year ... ... 37.

INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION OF FOOD.

MILK SUPPLY. - Under the supervision and control of the Lancashire County Council.

MEAT AND OTHER FOODS. - Fresh Meat supplies to Butchers killed and Inspected at the Colne Abattoirs.

Private Slaughterhouses. - Number registered. NIL.
Number licensed. 3.

Carcases Inspected and Condemned.

	Cattle Excluding cows.	Cows.	Calves.	Sheep and Lambs.	Pigs.
Number killed(if known)	NIL.	NIL.	NIL.	NIL.	5.
Number Inspected.					5.
All diseases except Tuberculosis: Whole Carcases condemned.					-
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned.					-
Percentage of the number inspected affected with disease other than tuberculosis.					-
Tuberculosis only: Whole carcases condemned.					-
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned.					-
Percentage of the number inspected affected with tuberculosis.					NIL.

BAKEHOUSES. - Four exist and are in good condition - periodical inspection made.

SHOPS. - Bi-annual inspection by Sanitary Inspector.

ADULTERATION. - Sampling under the Food and Drugs Acts 1938., was carried out by the Public Health Department of the Lancashire County Council.

ICE-CREAM. - Five retailers registered under Section 14.of the Food & Drugs Act 1938. Periodical Inspection.

FOOD POISONING OUTBREAKS. - NIL.

PREVALENCE AND CONTROL OVER INFECTIOUS DISEASES.

Fifteen cases of Incectious Diseases occurred during the year. Bacteriological Examinations are made at the Medical Research Council's Laboratory at Burnley.

Specimens examined - NIL.

DISINFECTION - Eight houses were disinfected by means of fumigators.

TUBERCULOSIS - Three cases were notified.

No action was taken under the P.H. (Prevention of Tuberculosis) Regulations, 1925, or P.H.A.1936, Section 172.

No cases of Ophthalmia Neonatorum occurred.

Council Offices,
Trawden Forest,
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November 1951.